

## Harry Potter exhibit lifts veil on medieval magic and medicine

Geoff McMaster

On Harry Potter's first trip to school on the Hogwarts Express, he and his new friend Ron buy Chocolate Frog Cards from a candy cart. Ron explains that he has a huge collection of the trading cards but has yet to find one of Agrippa.

“There's obviously a lot of interest in the Harry Potter books, but they do have elements of true history in them, and people may not realize that.”

Trish Chatterley

Heinrich Cornelius Agrippa von Nettesheim, a German believer in magic, alchemy and astronomy, is just one of many allusions in J.K. Rowling's famous series to real historical figures and occult practices in the Middle Ages and Renaissance. Indeed, Rowling's imaginative universe is based partly on early traditions that laid the foundations for Western science.

To shed light on these allusions in more detail, the U of A's John W. Scott Health Sciences Library is hosting a travelling exhibit later this month presented by the American National Library of Medicine called *Harry Potter's World: Renaissance, Science, Magic and Medicine*. The exhibit is the only Canadian stop on the show's tour.

“We're hoping to get people interested in history,” says Trish Chatterley, U of A librarian and co-ordinator of the exhibit. “There's obviously a lot of interest

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## Happy birthday Extension and Law!



The Faculty of Extension, established in 1912, laid the foundation for such provincial treasures as CKUA Radio and the Banff Centre. In this photo, the first director of what was then the Department of Extension, A.E. Ottewell (second from left), works in the travelling library, one of Extension's first outreach activities.

## Faculties of extension and law set to light 100 candles

Geoff McMaster

The faculties of law and extension are gearing up to celebrate their centenaries this year.

The Faculty of Extension will begin rolling out its calendar of events this month with a 1912-style internal party for staff and guests and will continue with a list of events throughout 2012 underscoring the faculty's hallmarks: lifelong learning and community engagement.

According to extension's dean, Katy Campbell, there is a lot to be proud of. “You look back and think, ‘Wow, we were doing that then? But a lot of it was simply responding to the needs of the people.’”

Extension's impressive legacy to Alberta includes founding CKUA Radio and what has become the Banff Centre, as well as building one of the most progressive distance and lifetime learning centres in the country.

The Department of Extension was established in 1912 as a direct outgrowth of founding president Henry Marshall Tory's vision for the U of A as “the most practical of all institutions,” the duty of which was to “uplift the whole people.”

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Indira Samarasekera

“The mission of the university was to find out what the people needed and then use its resources to bring that knowledge or service to the people wherever they lived,” says extension historian Walter Archer.

And bring knowledge to the people it did. Under the department's first director, A.E. Ottewell, professors of the day would reach out to remote parts of the province with their travelling libraries, “magic lantern” shows and public lectures. The department jumped into radio in the 1920s, using its new radio station, CKUA, to broadcast lectures and classical music programming to remote corners of the province.

“Extension gave us this enormous boost at a time when nobody was thinking about the whole notion of adult education or access to university-level knowledge,” says U of A president Indira Samarasekera. “It was just so ahead of its time.”

Since 1912, the extension faculty has never forgotten its mission, says Samarasekera. As the only continuing education centre in Canada with research faculty, it continues to challenge and expand traditional models of education.

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# Exhibit includes lecture by arts dean

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in the Harry Potter books, but they do have elements of true history in them, and people may not realize that."

"Incorporating the work of several 15th- and 16th-century thinkers," states the National Library of Medicine's program description for the exhibit, "the seven-part series examines important ethical topics such as the desire for knowledge, the effects of prejudice and the responsibility that comes with power."

A whole roster of events will be held in conjunction with Harry Potter's World, which runs from Jan. 15 to Feb. 25. Dean of Arts Lesley Cormack will deliver a keynote lecture on Jan. 19 called "The Real Philosopher's Stone: Natural Philosophy and Natural Magic in the Middle Ages and Renaissance." Jan. 28 is Harry Potter day, a chance for kids aged 7-12 to engage in fun-filled, Harry Potter-themed science experiments and other hands-on activities, including the study of potions, care of magical creatures, muggle studies, owlery and defence against the dark arts.

There are also screenings in February of the films *Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone* and both parts of *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, with discussion hosted by Carol Hodgson, the J. Alan Gilbert Chair for Medical Education Research.

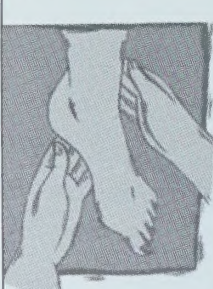
For more information on Harry Potter's World and to see a gallery of historical figures featured in the novels, with references to their texts held in the U of A library, visit the library website at <http://guides.library.ualberta.ca/harrypotterexhibit>. ■



## HARRY POTTER'S WORLD

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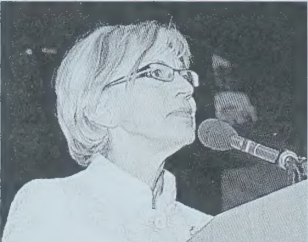
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# Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin to attend law faculty's centenary dinner

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Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin

"Extension is the one group on campus thinking about distance-learning methods that are oriented towards reaching a broader audience," says Samarasekera. "Other faculties are focused on the existing audience. We need to reach not just Albertans but, increasingly, under-served communities such as the North, where First Nations people don't want to, or can't, leave to pursue post-secondary education."

The law faculty will launch its centenary next fall, with a gala

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dinner during Alumni Weekend in September at the Shaw Conference Centre. Beverley McLachlin, chief justice of the Supreme Court of Canada and a gold medalist in the U of A's law class of 1968, will attend the event as guest speaker. There will be a special convocation for the law faculty in June 2013, along with an international conference called The Future of Law School in September 2013.

"I will also be working with the Law Students' Association and other student groups to create opportunities for students to play an important role in our centenary celebrations," says Dean of Law Philip Bryden.

Western Canada's oldest law school was established in 1912 to respond not only to a growing demand for legal training, but to provide consistency in a profession that had lacked sufficient regulation in the new frontier province. Over the years, it has become a leader for law education in Canada.

Today the faculty has 500 students and more than 30 full-time faculty members, among them nationally and internationally renowned scholars and leaders in legal research.

Stay tuned to the websites of the extension and law faculties for more information on events over the next 18 months. ■



## Call for Consultation

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A Dean Selection Committee, Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry, has been established in accordance with University regulations and is now in search of a new Dean of the Faculty of Medicine & Dentistry.

At this point, the Selection Committee is calling for opinion on the leadership needs of the Faculty in the years ahead and on any other key issues. Individuals are urged to contact members of the Committee, or write to me as Chair, to express their views on priorities of the Faculty, current issues, and the future direction of the Faculty. All feedback may be shared with the Selection Committee. In order to facilitate the Committee's work, **please submit your comments by Wednesday, February 1, 2012.**

In addition, individuals who wish to stand as a candidate are invited to apply. Individuals may also nominate others who they feel would be suitable candidates.

The selection of a Dean is vital to the success of the Faculty. I would therefore ask all interested persons, who have some stake in the outcome of this process, to take the time, even at this busy point in the academic year, to give some thought to the future of this Faculty. Your views are important to us. Thank you for your assistance.

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# Caveat surfer: online shoppers beware

Jamie Hanlon

During the festive season, online shoppers may have thought they were getting a bargain when they clicked on promotional discount boxes or signed up for free trials for such things as Christmas cards, exercise tips or even e-dating.

But University of Alberta researcher Paul Messenger warns that these online goodies may have fattened your credit card bill.



Paul Messenger

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It's called negative-option billing, and it's the topic of a case study that Messenger and fellow researchers Yuanfang Lin and Sabrina Yan published recently. It's also something that stung Messenger when he tried to save a couple of dollars by purchasing flowers online for his mother. Clicking a box to save

15 per cent inadvertently sent his card information to a third-party company that continued to charge a low-dollar monthly amount to his account, Messenger says.

He says people rarely read the fine print when clicking through screens and don't realize they need to opt out. That's when they will fall prey to unanticipated credit card withdrawals. He says when trying or buying a product online, there should be a reasonable expectation that an online consumer will not be burdened more than a regular store shopper would when entering into a financial transaction.

“The issue of what's reasonable comes into play, because on the web you have the possibility of displaying all sorts of conditions that no reasonable person can absorb in 60 seconds,” says Messenger.

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limitations of people. It really is unreasonable to sell your soul just because you are buying, or trying, something online and you missed the fine print.”

While some jurisdictions in Canada and the U.S. have enacted laws to disallow third-party hand-offs and restrict certain opt-out practices, Messenger says negative-option billing is still a lucrative scheme that catches millions of people every year. Though a free, seven-day trial may seem like a good idea initially, when the user forgets to opt out before the billing period commences, the charges start to pile up.

Messenger advises consumers to be vigilant about checking their monthly statements, because the amounts that negative-option billing incurs are typically small enough to fly under the radar of most consumers. He says consumers also need to consider offers carefully before clicking, reminding themselves that they must opt out almost immediately after opting in. But, he notes, regulatory bodies also need to review and modify marketing standards to reflect a constantly growing and evolving e-marketplace.

“The Canadian Marketing Association recommends standards of practice that err on the side of being very protective of consumers,” he says, “but we need to apply those more rigorously and continue to adapt them to the times.” ■

# TV doc explores sex and disability

Holly Gray

Can people in wheelchairs have sex? Rudy and Donna Cornet say yes. Donna has multiple sclerosis and uses a wheelchair to get around. Her husband has brain damage after getting hit by a van in 1988.

“You think that because you're in a wheelchair or you're disabled that your sex life's over—not true,” says Ron. The couple is featured on *SexAbility*, a one-hour documentary that Shaniff Esmail, a University of Alberta professor in the Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, helped put together alongside Kelly Falardeau, burn survivor and best-selling author. The documentary aired Dec. 6 on AMI's The Accessible Channel—TACtv.

Esmail, from the Department of Occupational Therapy, is a sexual health expert and was a consultant for the documentary. “When looking at someone with a disability and their sexuality, I think it's important to look at it from the context of an able-bodied person without a disability,” says Esmail. “Just because you have a disability does not mean that you're asexual or that you don't think about sex.”

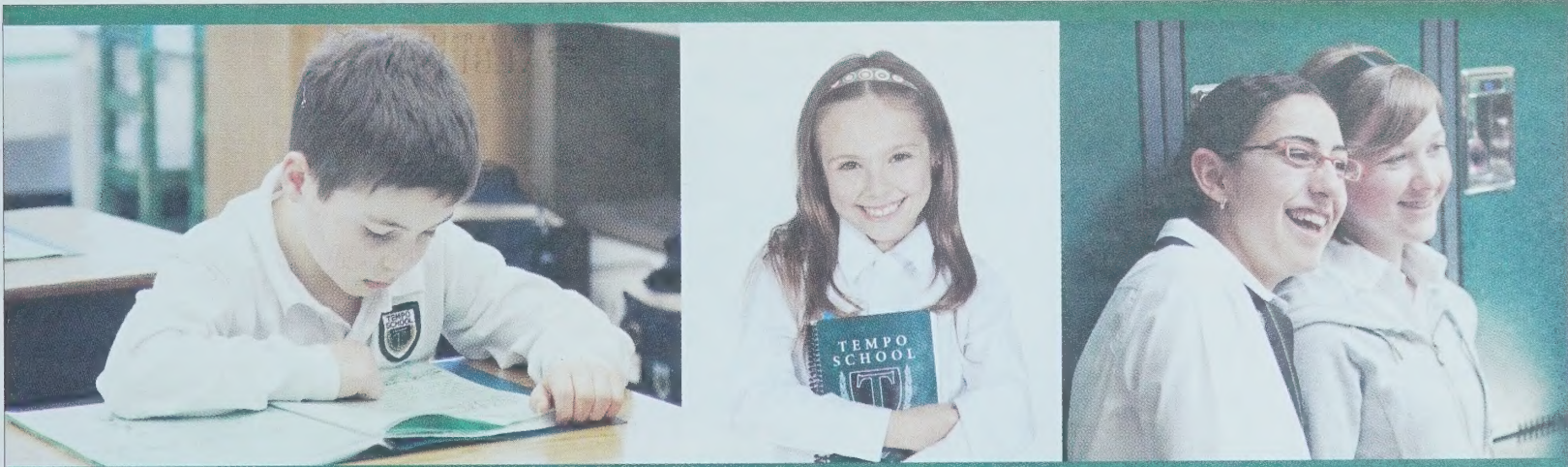
*SexAbility* chronicles the sex lives of people with disabilities and the lengths to which they go to enjoy something the rest of us take for granted. Esmail says there is a social stigma surrounding sex and disability that must be broken.

“Where there's a will, there's a way,” he says. “Couples who really want to have sex and are interested in resuming sexual activity—they will. But a lot of time they need a little bit of a push. They just need someone to tell them that it's OK to be sexual. Unfortunately, our society tends to look at individuals with disabilities as asexual. It's a stigma and it's wrong.”

Donna says the stigma makes her feel awful. “Ron and I are normal human beings and we love each other with all our hearts,” she says. “There's no reason we shouldn't be able to express our love in a physical way. We've been on our honeymoon for 20 years now.” ■



Donna and Rudy Cornet are featured in a one-hour television documentary.



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## Keeping pace in the race to the field

Geoff McMaster

Field research is a complex undertaking these days. In addition to worrying about details of the research itself, there is an ever-increasing mountain of red tape to wade through before even starting the journey.

The hurdles include University of Alberta and Transport Canada vehicle policies, provincial government "working alone" and occupational health legislation, proper training, waivers and emergency procedures.

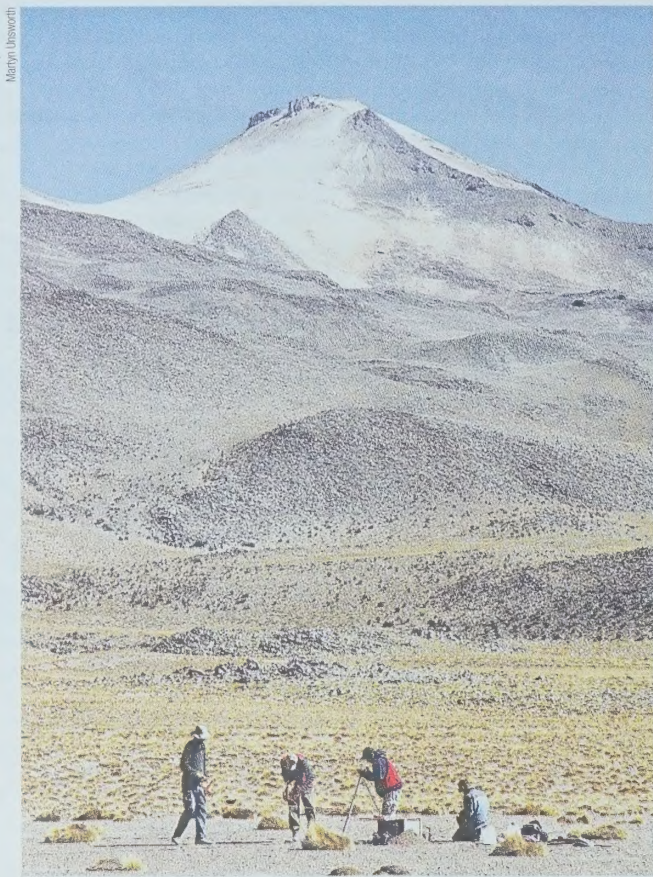
It can be daunting, to say the least. But since 2007, the U of A's Field Research Office (FRO) has been helping remove bumps on the road to the field.

"We define field research quite broadly, from the classic view of a biologist out in the High Arctic or the rainforests of Brazil, to searching library science archives, to investigating archeological sites," says director Jeff Kavanaugh. "We're looking to support all aspects of off-campus research."

Much of what Kavanaugh's office does links directly to risk management, providing procedures to make field research as safe as possible. Last spring, with help from Risk Management Services (RMS), the FRO acquired 10 satellite phones. It was a timely purchase, since all 10 of them were rented out to researchers last summer. The office is now looking to purchase first-aid kits with automated electronic defibrillators. "Without that additional tool," says Kavanaugh, "CPR is rather ineffective."

In addition to the safety measures, the office promotes research activity on its website, featuring prominent researchers and tracking items on projects that appear in the media. There are tips and planning tools for successful field research, all the policy documents you'll need to be up to speed, and a link that aims to put interested students in touch with field opportunities.

"If you involve students in research, you really give them a leg up



The Field Research Office helps researchers cut through the regulatory red tape.

in their own research careers," says Kavanaugh. "If a student has a particular interest, we can link them up with a researcher in that area."

The FRO is run by Kavanaugh and his administrative assistant, Kim Schaerer, but also takes direction from the Field Research Activities Committee made up of academics, field assistants, safety officers and personnel from RMS. It also organizes training as requested by various departments on campus. Examples include standard first aid (with a remote component), wilderness first aid, chainsaw safety, truck and trailer workshops, fall protection and firearm safety certification.

More varieties of training are added to the list all the time. "Last year, for example, Kim found a training course for electro-fishing,

a sampling technique that shocks fish so researchers can examine them."

Part of FRO's job, of course, is to deal with the unexpected. Last year, for instance, U of A researchers tried to carry some gear into Cuba for a field project. Problem was, some of it was manufactured in the United States and contravened trade regulations, so that field trip had to be postponed.

Given the growing complexity of field research, FRO now holds information sessions in the late winter or early spring to explore how the office can assist with field research or to invite outside speakers to discuss field research topics.

The first information session of the year is Feb. 10 at 2:30 p.m. Check the FRO website for more details: <http://www.fieldoffice.ualberta.ca/>. ■

## Grade uploads set to lighten the load

Geoff McMaster

A new process to electronically upload grades at the U of A promises to make the submission of final course grades simpler and more transparent, while reducing the possibility of transcription errors.

If all goes well, the system should be up and running by early March, and all instructors will be required to use it, says Jonathan Schaeffer, vice-provost, information technology. He says the new system will be far easier and more efficient for instructors, approvers and administrative staff and is part of the U of A's overall plan to automate cumbersome manual processes.

"Why do I take my electronic spreadsheet with all my grades in it, go to the grade book, write down all my grades to pass physically to my associate chair, who then reads them, initials them and passes them on to the registrar's office, who takes the information on paper and manually enters it into the computer? It's wrong—it should all be electronic."

According to Ada Schmude, associate registrar of records, the registrar's office manually enters some 300,000 grades every year. "So for several years, departments have been indicating that we really should

be moving away from this and automating the process," says Schmude.

"With the new system, there is also the potential for grades to be available earlier to students," says Barry Scott, associate director, Administrative Information Systems (AIS).

For smaller classes, says Scott, instructors can simply enter final grades for each student directly into the instructor self-service on Bear Tracks. For larger classes, instructors can download a class-roster spreadsheet at the beginning of term, which they can use to track interim and midterm grades. At the end of the course, instructors simply enter final letter grades on the spreadsheet and upload the final grades to Bear Tracks via instructor self-service. Also in the works is a file format that instructors can download from the Learning Management System (LMS) and then upload to Bear Tracks via instructor self-service.

Shelagh Hohm, director, AIS, says there has been "strong support at all levels for this. We're fielding a lot of questions on exactly how it will work, so we're preparing a list of frequently asked questions."

For more information on how the new electronic grading system will work, visit the AIS website at [www.ais-web.srv.ualberta.ca/](http://www.ais-web.srv.ualberta.ca/). ■

## Festival celebrates outstanding teaching the open door

Carl Amrhein

Did you know that, every year, instructors at the University of Alberta teach 10,500 course sections and another 4,500 lab sections for 38,500 undergraduate and graduate students?

The outstanding teaching that takes place on our campuses deserves to be celebrated—and our innovations in teaching need to be shared. It's in that spirit that I invite you to both celebrate and share your successes and those of your colleagues in the upcoming 5th annual Festival of Teaching, March 12–15.

Festivities begin on Monday, March 12, in the TELUS Centre with a Teaching Fair and "FoT-Spots," a fast-paced, energetic event sparking debate between teachers and students. At the Fair, instructors and students can share teaching and learning innovations with the university community. Following that, Malcolm Azania, teacher, writer, community activist, radio host and U of A alumnus, will moderate the FoT-Spots, which focus on the "Characteristics of 'super' teachers: How to be a real-life hero."

The festival closes on Thursday, March 15, with a World Café hosted by keynote speaker

Dr. Larrie Greenberg from George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences. A pediatrician well-known for his pedagogical innovation, Greenberg has hosted many workshops on how to produce an environment that supports student learning, working from the basic question that we all ask ourselves: "How do we know we are teaching effectively?"

The four-day festival also offers all of us the rare opportunity to see great teaching practices in action in U of A classrooms. Instructors who wish to participate will open the doors of their classrooms or labs, studios or gymnasiums to allow colleagues and grad students to observe how they motivate and engage students in learning. These Festival Classes create a rich opportunity for us to talk to each other about best teaching practices and their many manifestations across the U of A's five campuses.

I hope you will join me in March to celebrate the excellent teaching that happens every day at the U of A. All information, application and registration forms may be found at the Festival of Teaching website, [www.fot.ualberta.ca](http://www.fot.ualberta.ca). ■

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# Undergraduate report aims to prevent unwanted litters of kittens and puppies

Bev Betkowski

A group of students in the University of Alberta's Animal Health program is hoping its final class project will help reduce Edmonton's overflowing population of homeless animals.

Jennifer Enzie and Kimberly Cox were part of a student team that wrapped up a 36-page report for the Edmonton Humane Society on preventing unwanted litters of kittens and puppies. It was a capstone course project for their degree program in the Department of Agricultural, Food and Nutritional Science.



Jennifer Enzie and Kimberly Cox hope to embark on careers in animal health.

Researching the related issues and possible solutions was intensive work, but deeply rewarding for the group, not only as animal lovers, but as undergraduates.

"This project made me feel important and useful as a

student," says Enzie, who is currently applying to veterinary school. "I loved that it was something tangible that can benefit the community."

Armed with their BSc degrees in animal health and the hard-earned knowledge that came from the capstone project, the students feel more confident as they embark on further studies and then onto careers as professionals in the field of animal health.

"It was interesting for us to see all sides of an issue—such as low-cost spay and neuter clinics, and knowing

there are different perspectives strengthens my realization that, as a professional, I will have to communicate with various groups in different ways," says Cox, who plans to become an animal health technician.

As a prospective veterinarian, Enzie found the research project valuable in showing her how to communicate with future clients and staff and be an advocate for companion animals at the same time.

"I will do my own part in educating people on the importance of responsible pet ownership."

To compile their report, which was also sent to the Alberta Veterinary Medical Association, the students explored four models for spay-neuter programs. They interviewed local vets, studied low-income residential areas of the city, determined what programs already exist and gauged spay-neuter fees.

Their final report recommends a two-step approach to ending pet overpopulation, including an intensive education and public awareness campaign and a mobile spay-neuter clinic targeting low-income communities.

They hope their hard work and brainpower will ultimately contribute to reducing the number and the suffering of unwanted animals.

"If our recommendations do help, I can be proud that I played a part in making an education campaign come about," Enzie says.

"I will always remember the knowledge I gained from this project," says Cox, adding that the support of her teachers will also shape her future. "It's a little community in the Faculty of Agricultural, Life and Environmental Sciences. All of our professors are very supportive of us. It built my confidence and capability in tackling issues."

"I would not hesitate at all to contact any one of my professors if I needed advice in the future," Enzie adds. "That's a pretty special resource to have." ■

## Machinist wins support staff award

Jenna Hoff

Machinist technician Dave Waage says he loves his job, and one reason is that he very much enjoys working with students. A big part of his job in the Department of Mechanical Engineering is helping students do lab work for courses, research and extracurricular activities.

"I really like teaching and spreading what I know to others, and I really like helping people," says Waage. That passion recently earned him a Support Staff Recognition Award. The prestigious university-wide award acknowledges Waage's enthusiasm, exceptional service and contributions to a positive work culture.

"I'm quite honoured to be recognized for doing my job the very best I can. It's nice to be recognized for the effort I put in," says Waage, who has worked in the Mechanical Engineering machine shop since first coming to the University of Alberta in 2006.

"I try to be positive about everything, to go in with a good attitude, to be open and to do my best every day," says Waage. "I quite enjoy being at the U of A. I'm a very hands-on person, so this is the ideal job for me."

Waage thinks it's essential for students to experience working in the machine shop, where they can develop hands-on, practical engineering skills. "They get their hands dirty a little bit, and we sit down and work with them.

## staff spotlight



Dave Waage helps students in the mechanical engineering machine shop.

"It's very hands-on," he says, adding that the most rewarding aspect of his work is when a student "sees the light" and is able to understand a new concept or figure out a solution to an engineering problem.

One of the extracurricular student activities Waage devotes time to is the Formula SAE team. Students design, build and test a Formula One-style autocross race car to present and race in an international competition hosted by the Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE). Waage has been to every competition in the six years since he arrived at the U of A.

"I try to support the FSAE team as best I can," he says. He shares his expertise and the wisdom he has gleaned from past events, as well as whatever other support the team might need.

To his delight, the team has improved its standings every year since he first started attending. Most recently, at the 2011 competition in California, the U of A's team achieved an impressive seventh-place ranking overall and placed first in the presentation event and the competition's costing category.

"It's a lot of fun," Waage says with the characteristic enthusiasm he brings to all aspects of his work at the U of A. ■

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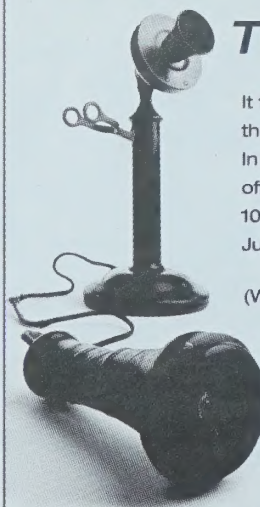
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# Bears and Pandas rack up another successful year

Matt Gutsch

The Golden Bears and Pandas varsity sports teams had a successful 2011 and are pushing for even more success when the regular season resumes in January 2012.

The New Year through the end of March is traditionally an important time of year for athletics, but 2012 carries added significance because of two signature events hosted by Golden Bears and Pandas athletics. First up is the Canada West swimming championship (Jan. 27–29), which will see the best swimmers in the west—potential and current Olympians among them—compete for conference glory. Then in March, the Pandas hockey program, the most successful women's university hockey program in Canada, will host the 2012 Canadian Interuniversity Sport championship from March 8–11 at historic Clare Drake Arena on campus.

Nineteen of 25 Golden Bear and Panda teams are competing already this varsity season, with seven finished their seasons. Golden Bears football, soccer and cross-country, as well as Pandas soccer, field hockey, rugby and cross-country, all wrapped up their seasons in the fall with varying degrees of success in Canada West conference action as well as on the Canadian Interuniversity Sport stage.

Both Golden Bears and Pandas soccer and cross-country teams, as well as Pandas field hockey, competed in their respective national championships, with Golden Bears soccer finishing fourth in the nation and Pandas soccer claiming fifth place. Both cross-country teams finished inside the top 15 in Canada. Soccer players Brett Colvin (business, fifth-year) and Heather Lund (nursing, fifth-year) became the all-time goal-scoring leaders for the Golden Bears and Pandas. Lund was also named a Canadian Interuniversity Sport first-team All-Canadian.

At the Canada West level, the Golden Bears soccer team was crowned champion, its 11th title in team history and the 201st conference championship in U of A athletics history. The Pandas soccer team, as well as the rugby team, earned silver medals.



The University of Alberta Golden Bears, 2010-11 Canada West men's soccer champions.

Golden Bears football player Brent Krawchuk, a fourth-year physical education and recreation student, was named a Canada West All-Star, as were 13 other Golden Bear and Panda athletes. Krawchuk and teammate Tyler Greenslade (physical education and recreation) received invitations to attend the 2012 Canadian Football League evaluation camp, where they will showcase their talents to CFL team scouts and general managers in Toronto in March 2012.

Fourth-year Pandas midfielder and nursing student Carleigh Miller won the Canada West Student-Athlete Award, becoming the third Panda to win in the last four seasons.

Shifting indoors, the Golden Bear and Panda basketball, hockey, volleyball, swimming, track and field and wrestling teams are already underway, with tennis, golf and curling awaiting their playoff seasons. Of those teams, eight of them opened their seasons ranked in the national top 10, including Pandas wrestling, which is ranked No. 1 in Canada and is defending national champion. Golden Bears swimming is also ranked No. 1 in the nation, while Pandas volleyball, Golden Bears volleyball, Golden Bears wrestling and Golden Bears and Pandas swimming are all ranked in the top five.

Golden Bears and Pandas conference action resumes on the Jan. 6–7 weekend when the Pandas hockey team hosts the Calgary Dinos (Jan. 6), and the Golden Bears hockey team also hosts Calgary (Jan. 7). In non-conference play, the wrestling teams will put on the Golden Bear Invitational Tournament in the Pavilion, and Pandas volleyball will welcome Canada West teams and Tsukuba University from Japan for the New Year's Classic tournament. ■



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#### Jan. 11

**Educated Luncheon Lecture.** Join us over the lunch hour to listen to a top faculty member and hear about some of the amazing work being done at the University of Alberta. The \$10 fee includes a lunch to go along with this opportunity to learn and network with fellow alumni. Sessions will be held the second Wednesday of each month in room 2-957 Enterprise Square (10230 Jasper Ave – former Bay Building). Next luncheon is Wednesday, Jan. 11 and noon, room 2-957 Enterprise Square (10230 Jasper Avenue – former Bay Building). Website: [www.ualberta.ca/alumni/educatedlunch](http://www.ualberta.ca/alumni/educatedlunch)

#### Jan. 12

**Provincial Health Priorities.** Honourable Fred Horne, minister of health and wellness, deputy government house leader, MLA, Edmonton will outline his vision and priorities for Alberta's publicly-funded health system, including the mandate given to him by Premier Alison Redford, in room 231 Law Centre, University of Alberta. <http://www.law.ualberta.ca/centres/hli/events>

#### Jan. 15 – Feb. 25

**Harry Potter's World: Renaissance Science, Magic and Medicine.** Please join us for this exhibit that explores the links between J.K. Rowling's popular Harry Potter book series and the history of science and medicine at the John W. Scott Health Sciences Library.

#### Jan. 15

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#### Jan. 16

**FASD and the Law.** Experts from health care, lived experience, legal practice and the judiciary will discuss the diagnosis of FASD and how it is made, the life span of individuals with FASD, the lived experience of one individual with FASD/policy issues on FASD and the justice system; Canadian Bar Association's resolution; dealing with clients who do or may have FASD; and the perspectives of a judge on the challenges of dealing with these cases within the confines of our current laws. The session will be delivered in two parts, with dinner served at the break. To assist us in our planning for this event, please RSVP to: [hli@law.ualberta.ca](mailto:hli@law.ualberta.ca). 4 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Maple Leaf Room, Lister Conference Centre, University of Alberta.

#### Jan. 17

**RU Lemieux Lecture: Recent Advances in Yeast Biotechnology.** Tillman Gerngross is a professor of bioengineering at Dartmouth

College and active innovator and entrepreneur who has founded several successful venture backed companies. At GlycoFI, his first venture, professor Gerngross developed a novel method for humanizing the glycosylation machinery in yeast to produce therapeutic proteins, including antibodies, with fully human carbohydrate structures. In 2006 Merck acquired the company for a record-setting \$400 million. The same year Nature Biotechnology named Gerngross one of the most notable people in Biotechnology in the past ten years. In the fall of 2006 Gerngross joined SV Life Science (formerly Schroder Ventures Life Science) as a Venture Partner to advise on investment opportunities in the bio-therapeutics area. In 2007 Gerngross co-founded Adimab, which over the past four years has developed a premier antibody discovery technology and in the last two years has signed partnerships with many of the world's leading pharmaceutical companies. In 2010 Adimab was awarded the Technology Pioneer award by the World Economic Forum in Davos. In 2010 Gerngross founded Arsanis Inc to develop antibody-based strategies for the treatment of infectious diseases. Takes place from 4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., Centennial Centre for Interdisciplinary Science - Room L1 160.

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In celebration of the official opening of the Edmonton Clinic Health Academy, the Health Sciences Council Speaker Series presents physician, author and journalist Dr. Brian Goldman speaking about the future of health care from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m., L1-190, Edmonton Health Academy. Admission is free, but registration is required on the ECHA website.

#### Jan. 19

**Harry Potter's World: Opening Reception.** Dean of Arts Lesley Cormack will give a keynote address titled, "The Real

Philosopher's Stone: Natural Philosophy and Natural Magic in the Middle Ages and Renaissance." This will be followed by a small reception in the foyer. Attendees will have the opportunity to view the Harry Potter's World exhibit panels which will later be on display in the John W. Scott Health Sciences Library until February 25, 2012. This event is co-sponsored by the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, History of Medicine and Arts & Humanities in Health & Medicine programs and the University of Alberta Libraries. Takes place from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. To register for this event, please RSVP online at <http://www.library.ualberta.ca/studenttraining/section/index.cfm?cid=177>.

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